

Share your time and talents to protect Texas' wild things and places!

From park hosts to docents, Buffalo Soldiers to trail builders, fee collectors to surveyors, volunteers contribute to state parks in diverse and meaningful ways! As a volunteer, you will be part of a passionate team working to manage and conserve Texas' natural and cultural resources.

It's easy to get started.

Go to www.tpwd.texas.gov/volunteer to search for openings or contact your park's volunteer coordinator to learn how you can use your skills and passion to give back to the land, resources and community you love.

Texas needs you now more than ever, so apply today!



Opportunities are available throughout the state!

Volunteer short-term, long-term, or for one-time events. Volunteers under 16 must be accompanied by an adult or guardian. Hosts must be a minimum of 18 years old. Volunteers (18+) in ongoing positions are required to pass an annual criminal background check (CBC). Volunteers must meet the requirements of the opening to which they apply and must have skills and experiences that qualify them for the position. Volunteers will receive orientation and training and learn new skills!

Get involved today and help keep Texas State Parks beautiful, thriving, and fun for current and future generations.

For more information:

www.tpwd.texas.gov/volunteer

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MAKE A DIFFERENCE



VOLUNTEER WITH TEXAS STATE PARKS



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Park Hosts

serve as representatives and stewards of Texas State Parks providing operational support to the park and information to the visiting public. Given the diversity of Texas landscapes and the varying size, structure and needs of state parks, specific host tasks differ from park to park. Hosts provide excellent customer service to visitors and support staff in day-to-day operations, including light maintenance, campground upkeep or fee collection. Hosts volunteer approximately 24 to 32 hours per week. In exchange for volunteer service, fees for park entrance and an RV site with hookups are waived.

Live, learn and serve in the park! To learn more about the Park Host program, visit: www.TexasStateParks.org/ParkHosts

Environmental Restoration and Maintenance Volunteers

help preserve and protect the natural resources of Texas State Parks and create a welcoming and usable park for visitors.

State Park Interns

are introduced to career opportunities in the natural and cultural resource fields through training and practical experience. The intern program is for students and both paid and unpaid positions may be offered throughout the year. To learn more, visit www.tpwd.texas.gov/jobs/internship.phtml

State Park Friends Groups

are volunteer-led, membership-based nonprofits that support parks through volunteerism, fundraising, and public education. To learn more about Friends Groups, visit www.TexasStateParks.org/FriendsGroups

Group Project Volunteers

organize a team to help with a big clean-up, trail maintenance, or other large scale park project. If your troop, class, club, office or community group wants to get involved, then contact your local park. Volunteers also help with special events, office work, special projects and so much more!

Outreach & Education Volunteers

help inform and inspire park visitors and grow the next generation of park stewards through community outreach, education, and outdoor programs.

- Interpretive services volunteers share information about the cultural, natural and recreational resources of the park with the visiting public through tours, guided hikes, educational programming and more.
- Buffalo Soldiers bring history to life with stories, costumes and tools.
- State Park Ambassadors are young adults that use their interests, skills and creativity to draw new visitors to parks.
- The Texas Outdoor Family program helps introduce families to great camping experiences. Volunteers help in many capacities including assisting with nature hikes, kayaking, fishing, camping gear distribution, geocaching, taking photos, and safety management.

These opportunities are available throughout the state. Learn more about these programs at www.TexasStateParks.org/Volunteer



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